

RECORDING OF PROCEEDINGS

Wyoming Board of Agriculture
February 20, 2008
Conference Call

Present: Jack Corson, President
Gene in Hardy, Vice President
Jim Mickelson
Jim Bennage
Dave Graham
Patrick of Zimmerer
John Hansen
Bridget Kukowski
Juan Reyes

Excused: Frank Galey
Joe Thomas
John Etchepare
Dalin Winters

Absent: Ryan Lance

Staff: Muff Parker, Recording Secretary
Slade Franklin

Guests: Josh Shorb
Erika Edmiston

Slade introduced Erika & Josh, and explained the purpose of the joint resolution and letter to the Governor is to increase education and awareness of what the weed and pest districts are working on. They anticipate coordinating activities throughout the week, including advertisements in newspapers & radio announcements. They plan to do some television advertisements next year, producing them this summer and they will also be revamping website to make it more user friendly. The education will include targeting small acreage landowners. Slade asked for the Board of Agriculture to sign the letter to the Governor along with the joint resolution which hopefully will allow the Governor to designate a week in March which will be coordinated with the bookmark contest celebration.

Jack is concerned the program will be difficult to do because of the lack of summer staff. Josh feels their job as an educational committee is to put the information out there and make the communities "weed warriors." Jack asked Slade if the letter & resolution could wait until next week when the BOA is meeting in Cheyenne, which Slade agreed to.

Juan has a conflict the 26th and won't be able to attend, but will be there the 25th and 27th.

Jack asked the members if they were aware of any legislative issues they needed to be aware of before next week, but there were none.

Juan Reyes made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dave Graham. Motion passed.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Corson, President

Date